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Filing Date: January 11, 2002
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review of the application referenced above by H. Ufuk Alpay et al. entitled *Damage Resistant Photomask Construction* filed January 11, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 1, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph.

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/261,040, filed January 11, 2001, and entitled "ESD-Resistant Photomask Construction."--

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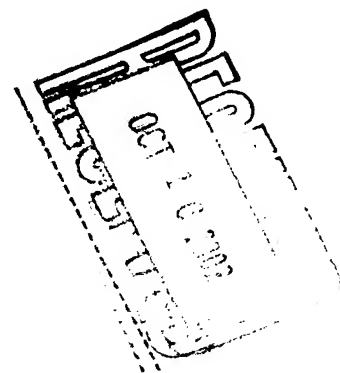
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